the State Governments.

Comprehensive Cooperative Housing Scheme for Urban Poor

762. DR. AKHILESH DAS: Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have worked a comprehensive cooperative housing scheme for the urban poor to replace the Jhuggi-jhopris with neatly planned permanent houses in multi-storied blocks for them; and

(b) if so, the estimated number of such shelters to be constructed in each State and the number of the urban poor to be housed therein; and other details of the Scheme, indicating phase-wise action plan therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Development of Slums in Dharavi, Mumbai

763 SHRI R.S. GAVAI: Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have announced financial assistance of Rs. 500 crores for development of slums situated at Dharavi in Mumbai;

(b) if so, the financial assistances rendered by Government so far; and

(c) by when the whole amount meant for the purpose would be provided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA) (a) Yes, Sir. In January, 2004, the Prime Minister had announced Rs. 500 crore aid to Government of Maharashtra for development of Dharavi in Mumbai.

(b) and (c) The Government of Maharashtra had forwarded a project proposal in December, 2003 for construction of approximately 71,000 houses, along with infrastructure, for rehabilitation of slum dwellers in Dharavi, at an approximate cost of Rs. 5,000 crore. The same was examined in consultation with the Planning Commission, and some clarifications were sought from the State Government. No funds were released to the State Government against the said project. In the meantime, the Planning Commission has undertaken

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

an exercise for rationalization/review of the plan schemes, wherein, the scheme of "Resettlement of Slums in Dharavi", has been discountinued and no provision for the scheme has been kept for the year 2005-06.

Unemployment in Urban Areas

764. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of unemployed persons in urban areas, State-wise;

(b) the number of unemployed persons who have got self-employment after implementation of various Centrally sponsored plans;

(c) whether there is any plan to impart training to these unemployed persons to help them get self-employment; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN EMPLOYMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA) (a) The estimated number of unemployed persons by Current Daily Status (CDS) as available in the 55th round of NSSO Survey (1999-2000) is given in the Statement (see below):

(b) According to the 55th round of National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO), 53.1% workers of total employed in rural areas and in urban areas 40.7% workers of total workers were self-employed.

(c) and (d) Under the Urban Self Employment Programme (USEP) component of Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), the urban poverty alleviation scheme being implemented by the Ministry of Urban Employment & Poverty alleviation, a target of imparting skill training/upgradation to 5 lakh urban poor during the tenth Five Year Plan has been fixed.

Statement

Estimated number of unemployed persons by CDS 1999-2000*

S. No.	States	Number of Unemployed persons (000)	
		Rural	Urban
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2153	519
2.	Assam	532	135
3.	Bihar	2033	364
4.	Gujarat	629	255
5.	Haryana	217	83
6.	Karnataka	638	336
7.	Kerala	1800	562
8.	Madhya Pradesh	903	436
9.	Maharashtra	1567	1129